

REMARKS

Claims 26-36 are pending in this application and subject to Interference No. 105,010.

Claims 34-36 are new and are supported by the application as filed. Specifically, page 28, Example Ia-1-1 of the specification as originally filed discloses the compound in claim 34. Page 94, line 1-page 95, line 9 and Example 1 on page 96 of the specification as originally filed describe a method for inhibiting a matrix metalloproteinase by administering a matrix metalloproteinase inhibiting amount of the compound claimed in claim 35. Finally, Page 94, line 1-page 95, line 9 and Example 31 on page 96 of the specification as originally filed describes a method for inhibiting a matrix metalloproteinase by administering a matrix metalloproteinase inhibiting amount of the compound claimed in claim 36.

No fees are due to add these claims. There are 11 pending claims, and 6 of these 11 are independent. Since Applicants have already paid for 25 claims and 18 independent claims, no fees are due with this paper.

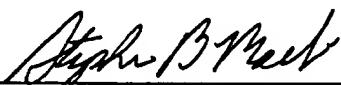
CONCLUSION

Applicants await resolution of Interference No. 105,010 and an action on the merits.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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